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Amendment

CLEAN AMENDED PARAGRAPHS/SECTIONS/CLAIMS

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the following paragraph for the pending paragraph beginning on page 29, line 33:

Referring now to FIG. 1, a side view is shown of a projectile 10 for delivering an inhibiting substance, such as, pepper spray, oleoresin capsicum powder, tear gas, smoke or the like, to a living target, such as a human target, in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention. Most preferably, the inhibiting substance comprises finely powdered oleoresin capsicum, such as may be purchased from Defense Technology of America in Casper, Wyoming (for example, Blast Agent oleoresin capsicum #T14, #T16, #T21 and/or #T23). ~~As is known in the art, oleoresin capsicum is known to contain or include capsaicin, dihydrocapsaicin, nordihydrocapsaicin, homocapsaicin, homodihydrocapsaicin and nonivamide.~~ In the present embodiment, the oleoresin capsicum powder (referred to with respect to the present embodiment as "powder") is preferably purchased at a concentration of at least about 0.5%, e.g., between 1% and 30%, e.g., 3% and 10%, e.g. about 5% by volume. Alternatively, powder may be diluted, to a desired concentration, by mixing with an inert powdered substance, such as talcum or corn starch. In other embodiments, the projectile 10 may also be used to deliver other substances such as marking substances, including for example, dyes or paint, or the like, to a living or an inanimate target, and may also be used to deliver inert substances, such as talcum powder. In still further embodiments, the projectile may be used to deliver both inhibiting and marking substances to the target.